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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 26-38 and 47-49, drawn to a system.

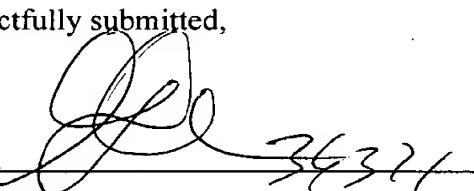
Applicants respectfully request that if claims 26-38 and 47-49 are allowed, claims dependent thereon also be considered.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of any non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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